

Judge for the Northern District of Florida, J. Nicholas Ranjan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and Damon Ray Leichty, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana; that at 4:30 p.m., Senate vote on the pending motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Robert L. King, of Kentucky, to be Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, and John P. Pallasch, of Kentucky, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, and that if cloture is invoked, the votes on confirmation of the nominations occur at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader on Thursday, July 11, 2019; and that the motion to invoke cloture with respect to the nomination of Peter C. Wright, of Michigan, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency, ripen following disposition of the nomination of John P. Pallasch.

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**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 191), Daniel Aaron Bress, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

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**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—194)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:07 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 10, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4740.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### USSOUTHCOM NATIONAL DEFENSE STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded a hearing to examine implementation of the National Defense Strategy in the United States Southern Command

area of responsibility, after receiving testimony from Admiral Craig S. Faller, USN, Commander, United States Southern Command, Department of Defense.

### NASA EXPLORATION PLANS

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Aviation and Space concluded a hearing to examine National Aeronautics and Space Administration exploration plans, focusing on where we have been and where we are going, after receiving testimony from Eugene F. Kranz, former Apollo Flight Director, Houston, Texas; Christine M. Darden, formerly of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Langley Research Center, Hampton, Virginia; Mary Lynne Dittmar, Coalition for Deep Space Exploration, and Eric Stallmer, Commercial Spaceflight Federation, both of Washington, D.C.; and Homer Hickam, *Rocket Boys*, Huntsville, Alabama.

### ENERGY LEGISLATION

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy concluded a hearing to examine S. 1602, to amend the United States Energy Storage Competitiveness Act of 2007 to establish a research, development, and demonstration program for grid-scale energy storage systems, S. 1593, to require the Secretary of Energy to establish an energy storage research program, a demonstration program, and a technical assistance and grant program, S. 1183, to establish an energy storage and microgrid grant and technical assistance program, S. 1741, to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to advance energy storage deployment by reducing the cost of energy storage through research, development, and demonstration, S. 2048, to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a demonstration initiative focused on the development of long-duration energy storage technologies, including a joint program to be established in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, S. 1685, to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a program for the research, development, and demonstration of commercially viable technologies for the capture of carbon dioxide produced during the generation of natural gas-generated power, S. 143, to authorize the Department of Energy to conduct collaborative research with the Department of Veterans Affairs in order to improve healthcare services for veterans in the United States, S. 983, to amend the Energy Conservation and Production Act to reauthorize the weatherization assistance program, S. 1857, to amend the National Energy Conservation Policy Act to improve Federal energy and water performance requirements for Federal buildings and establish a Federal Energy Management Program, S. 1064, to require the Secretary of Energy to conduct a study on the national security

implications of building ethane and other natural-gas-liquids-related petrochemical infrastructure in the United States, and H.R. 1138, to reauthorize the West Valley demonstration project, after receiving testimony from Senators Collins and Klobuchar; and Bruce J. Walker, Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity, and Shawn Bennett, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Oil and Gas, Office of Fossil Energy, both of the Department of Energy.

### PROTECTING INNOCENCE IN A DIGITAL WORLD

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine protecting innocence in a digital

world, after receiving testimony from Duffie Stone, National District Attorneys Association, Bluffton, South Carolina; Angela J. Campbell, Georgetown Law, and Stephen Balkam, Family Online Safety Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Christopher McKenna, Protect Young Eyes, Caledonia, Michigan; and John F. Clark, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Alexandria, Virginia.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 33 public bills, H.R. 3628–3660; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 52; and H. Res. 475–480 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1988, to clarify seasoning requirements for certain refinanced mortgage loans, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–138, Part 1);

H.R. 677, to amend gendered terms in Federal law relating to the President and the President's spouse (H. Rept. 116–139);

H.R. 2368, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to expand support for police officer family services, stress reduction, and suicide prevention, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–140);

H.R. 1986, to amend section 175b of title 18, United States Code, to correct a scrivener's error (H. Rept. 116–141);

H.R. 1569, to amend title 28, United States Code, to add Flagstaff and Yuma to the list of locations in which court shall be held in the judicial district for the State of Arizona (H. Rept. 116–142); and

H. Res. 476, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2500) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2020 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, and providing for con-

sideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 116–143).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Clay to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Resignation from the House Republican Conference:** Read a letter from Representative Cheney wherein she announced that Representative Amash resigned from the House Republican Conference.

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**Committee Election Vacated:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she announced that Representative Amash's election to the Committee on Oversight and Reform has been vacated effective July 9, 2019.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:06 p.m. and reconvened at 4:31 p.m.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

***Protect Affordable Mortgages for Veterans Act of 2019:*** H.R. 1988, amended, to clarify seasoning requirements for certain refinanced mortgage loans;

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***Amending the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 to amend the definition of whistleblower:*** H.R. 2515, amended, to amend the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 to amend the definition of whistleblower, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 410 yeas to 12 nays, Roll No. 431;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To amend the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 to amend the definition of whistleblower, to extend the